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SUP. BIDDLE STATEMENT ON STATE SUPREME COURT ACT 10 DECISION

Milwaukee, WI – In a much anticipated move, the Wisconsin Supreme Court overturned Dane County Circuit Judge Maryann Sumi’s decision to block the implementation of Act 10, the law that removes the ability for most public workers to collectively bargain.

“Act 10 was passed illegally. I am highly disappointed in the Supreme Court’s decision and what it means for the future of open meetings laws in this state,” Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr, said.

The law, which Supervisor Biddle believes is an all-out attack on public workers, was passed back in March hastily without a 24 hour notice. Judge Sumi ruled that it was in direct violation of Wisconsin’s open meetings laws, thus halting implementation of the collective bargaining law.

“Nevermind that Act 10 unfairly demonizes and penalizes workers. With yesterday’s ruling, the Wisconsin Supreme Court basically said that the Legislature is above the law,” said Supervisor Biddle. “In the meantime, a majority of the County Board will continue its attempts to negotiate for significant savings while respecting the collective bargaining process and workers’ rights.”

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